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SUBJECT: FOLLOW UP ON VISITS TO PRODUCTIVITY PRICES AND
INCOMES BOARD AND MINISTRY OF ESTABLISHMENTS BY MR. J.
MUTH

REFERENCES: LAGOS 8272 AND 9493

1. DOL PREPARED TO SEND A PARTY OF FOUR UNDER AID'S
661 AUTHORITY TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES OF REIMBURSABLE
TECHNICAL COOPERATION WITH THE FMG'S PRODUCTIVITY,
PRICES AND INCOMES BOARD. MISSION WOULD INCLUDE EXPERTS
IN WAGES, PRICES AND PRODUCTIVITY AND ONE PROGRAM
DEVELOPER FROM THE OFFICE OF FOREIGN FINANCED PROGRAMS.
THE THREE EXPERTS COULD SPEND UP TO ONE MONTH IN NIGERIA
TO SURVEY THE FMG'S NEEDS IN THESE AREAS AND RECOMMEND
FUTURE TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMS TO FOLLOW ON A
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REIMBURSABLE BASIS. DOL WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY OBTAINING
FORMAL REQUEST FOR 661 MISSION, AS INDICATED IN LAGOS 9493.
ALSO, DOL WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING MORE INFORMATION ON
AREAS TO BE EXPLORED AND SUGGESTIONS FOR THE TIMING OF
THE MISSION VISIT.

2. DURING MR. MUTH'S VISIT TO THE MINISTRY OF ESTABLISH-

MENTS HE WAS INFORMED THAT THE MINISTRY HAD FORMALLY REQUESTED ASSISTANCE IN TRAINING ITS STAFF IN COLLECTIVE BARGAINING IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR. MR. SPILIOTES HAS COPIES OF THEIR REQUESTS DATED 24 MAY AND 4 JULY. THE MINISTRY INDICATED ITS WILLINGNESS TO PAY THE COSTS OF SUCH TRAINING. DOL IS PREPARED TO FOLLOW UP ON THIS REQUEST AND WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY COMMENTS. DOL REQUESTS THE EMBASSY TO INFORM THE MINISTRY OF ESTABLISHMENTS OF DOL'S INTEREST IN PROVIDING THE REQUESTED TRAINING. DOL WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE NUMBER AND BACK- GROUND OF PARTICIPANTS AND MORE ON THE OBJECTIVES OF THE TRAINING REQUESTED. IN ADDITION, SHOULD THE MINISTRY DESIRE, DOL IS ALSO PREPARED TO CONDUCT TRAINING IN NIGERIA. CHRISTOPHER

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